

# City of Downey

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YVETTE M. ABICH GARCIA

June 13, 2014

Sachi A. Hamai, Executive Officer Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street, Room 383 Los Angeles, CA 90012 ADOPTED
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

July 1, 2014

EXECUTIVE OFFICER

SUBJECT: NOVEMBER 4, 2014 GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION

Dear Ms. Hamai:

At its meeting of June 10, 2014, the City of Downey City Council adopted Resolutions pertaining to the calling of a General Municipal Election for November 4, 2014, relating to the election of two (2) City Council Members. Enclosed are two certified copies of each Resolution:

Resolution No.

14-7489 Calling for the Holding of a General Municipal Election to

be Held on Tuesday, November 4, 2014

14-7490 Requesting the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los

Angeles to Consolidate a General Municipal Election to be Held on November 4, 2014, with the Statewide General

Election

in, one

14-7491 Adopting Regulations for Candidates for Elective Office

Pertaining to Candidates Statements

Please schedule this consolidation request on the **next available Board of Supervisor's Agenda**. Please provide me with a copy of the Board Agenda when this matter is scheduled.

Should any further action be required by us, or should you require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at (562) 904-7280.

Sincerely,

Adria M. Jimenez, CMC

City Clerk

Enclosures

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DOWNEY CALLING FOR THE HOLDING OF A GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2014, FOR THE ELECTION OF CERTAIN OFFICERS AS REQUIRED BY THE PROVISIONS OF THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF DOWNEY

WHEREAS, under the provisions of the City of Downey Charter Section 1300, a General Municipal Election shall be held on the fourth day of November, 2014, for the election of two members of the City Council for full terms of four years. One member shall be elected from and by the voters of District Two; and one member shall be elected from and by the voters of District Four.

## NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DOWNEY DOES HEREBY RESOLVE, DECLARE, DETERMINE AND ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. That pursuant to the requirements of the Charter of the City of Downey, there is called and ordered to be held in the City of Downey, California on Tuesday, the 4<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2014, a General Municipal Election for the purpose of electing two members of the City Council for full terms of four years. One member shall be elected from and by the voters of District Two; and, one member shall be elected from and by the voters of District Four.

SECTION 2. That the ballots to be used at the election shall be in form and content as required by law.

SECTION 3. That the City Clerk is authorized, instructed and directed to coordinate with the County of Los Angeles Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk to procure and furnish any and all official ballots, notices, printed matter and all supplies, equipment and paraphernalia that may be necessary in order to properly and lawfully conduct the election.

SECTION 4. That the polls for the election shall be open at seven o'clock a.m. of the day of the election and shall remain open continuously from that time until eight o'clock p.m. of the same day when the polls shall be closed, pursuant to Election Code Section 10242, except as provided in Section 14401 of the Elections Code of the State of California.

SECTION 5. That in all particulars not recited in this resolution, the election shall be held and conducted as provided by law for holding municipal elections.

**SECTION 6.** That notice of the time and place of holding the election is given and the City Clerk is authorized, instructed and directed to give further or additional notice of the election, in time, form and manner as required by law.

SECTION 7. That in the event of a tie vote if any two or more persons receive an equal and the highest number of votes for an office as certified by the County of Los Angeles Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk, the City Council, in accordance with Election Code Section 15651(a), shall conduct a Special Runoff Election to resolve the tie vote and such Special Runoff Election is to be held on a Tuesday not less than 40 days nor more than 125 days after the administrative or judicial certification of the election which resulted in a tie vote.

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ATTEST:

City Clerk of the City of Downey

#### RESOLUTION NO. 14-7489 PAGE 2

**SECTION 8.** That the City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this Resolution and enter it into the book of original Resolutions.

SECTION 9. The City Council authorizes the City Clerk to administer said election and all reasonable and actual election expenses shall be paid by the City upon presentation of a properly submitted bill.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 10th day of June, 2014.

UIS H. MARQUEZ M

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ADRIA M. JIMENEZ, CMC

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NOES:

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ABSENT:

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City Clerk

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Council Members:

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ADRIA M. JIMENEZ, CMC

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DOWNEY, REQUESTING THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES TO CONSOLIDATE A GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 4, 2014, WITH THE STATEWIDE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON THE DATE PURSUANT TO SECTION 10403 OF THE CALIFORNIA ELECTIONS CODE

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Downey called a General Municipal Election to be held on November 4, 2014, for the purpose of the election of two Members of the City Council, for full terms of four years. One member shall be elected from and by the voters of District Two; and, one member shall be elected from and by the voters of District Four.

WHEREAS, it is desirable that the General Municipal Election be consolidated with the Statewide General Election to be held on the same date and that within the City the precincts, polling places and election officers of the two elections be the same, and that the county election department of the County of Los Angeles canvass the returns of the General Municipal Election and that the election be held in all respects as if there were only one election.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DOWNEY DOES HEREBY RESOLVE, DECLARE, DETERMINE AND ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

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SECTION 2. That the Registrar of Voters of the County of Los Angeles is authorized to canvass the returns of the General Municipal Election. The election shall be held in all respects as if there were only one election, and only one form of ballot shall be used. The election will be held and conducted in accordance with the provisions of law regulating the statewide election.

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ATTEST:

City Clark of the City of Downey

#### RESOLUTION NO. 14-7490 PAGE 2

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APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 10th day of June, 2014.

UIS H. MARQUEZ, Mayor

ATTEST:

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ADRIA M. JIMENEZ, CINC

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ADRIA M. JIMENEZ.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DOWNEY ADOPTING REGULATIONS FOR CANDIDATES FOR ELECTIVE OFFICE PERTAINING TO CANDIDATES STATEMENTS SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS AT AN ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2014

WHEREAS, Section 13307 of the Elections Code of the State of California provides that the governing body of any local agency adopt regulations pertaining to materials prepared by any candidate for a municipal election, including costs of the candidate statement.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DOWNEY DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AND ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS. That pursuant to Section 13307 of the Elections Code of the State of California, each candidate for elective office to be voted for at an Election to be held in the City of Downey on November 4, 2014, may prepare a candidate's statement on an appropriate form provided by the City Clerk. The statement may include the name, age and occupation of the candidate and a brief description of no more than 200 words of the candidate's education and qualifications expressed by the candidate himself or herself. The statement shall not include party affiliation of the candidate, nor membership or activity in partisan political organizations. The statement shall be filed, in typewritten form, in the Office of the City Clerk at the time the candidate's nomination papers are filed. The statement may be withdrawn, but not changed, during the period for filing nomination papers and until 5:00 p.m. of the next working day after the close of the nomination period.

SECTION 2. CITY OF DOWNEY CHARTER PROVISION. Pursuant to Section 1307 of the Downey City Charter, any candidate for an elective City office may prepare a statement of qualifications in accordance with the restrictions set forth by State law and subject to the following additional restriction: A statement of qualifications shall be limited to a recitation of the candidates own personal background and qualifications and shall not in any way make reference to other candidates or to other candidates qualifications, character or activities. The City Clerk shall not cause to be printed or circulated any candidate statement of qualifications which the City Clerk determines is not so limited or which includes any such references.

#### **SECTION 3.** FOREIGN LANGUAGE POLICY.

- A. Pursuant to the Federal Voting Rights Act, candidate statements will be translated into all languages required by the County of Los Angeles. The County is required to translate candidate's statements into the following languages: Spanish, Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Tagalog, Vietnamese, Hindi, Thai, and Khmer.
- B. The County will print and mail sample ballots and candidates statements in Spanish, Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Tagalog, Vietnamese, Hindi, Thai, and Khmer, to those voters who are on the County Voter file as having requested a sample ballot in a particular language. The County will make the sample ballots and candidate statements in the required languages available at all polling places, on the County's website, and in the Election Official's Office.

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ATTEST:

City Clerk of the City of Downey

#### SECTION 4. PAYMENT.

#### A. Translations:

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#### B. Printing:

- The candidate shall be required to pay for the cost of printing the candidate's statement in the English language in the main voter pamphlet.
- 2. The candidate shall be required to pay for the cost of printing the candidate's statement in the Spanish language in the main voter pamphlet, if requested.

The City Clerk shall estimate the total cost of printing, handling, translating, and mailing the candidate's statements filed pursuant to this section, including costs incurred as a result of complying with the Voting Rights Act of 1965 (as amended), and require each candidate filing a statement to pay in advance to the local agency his or her estimated pro rata share as a condition of having his or her statement included in the voter's pamphlet. In the event the estimated payment is required, the estimate is just an approximation of the actual cost that varies from one election to another election and may be significantly more or less than the estimate, depending on the actual number of candidates filing statements. Accordingly, the clerk is not bound by the estimate and may, on a pro rata basis, bill the candidate for additional actual expense or refund any excess paid depending on the final actual cost. In the event of underpayment, the clerk may require the candidate to pay the balance of the cost incurred. In the event of overpayment, the clerk shall prorate the excess amount among the candidates and refund the excess amount paid within 30 days of the election.

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### RESOLUTION NO 14-7491 PAGE 3

**SECTION 6. ADDITIONAL MATERIALS.** No candidate will be permitted to include additional materials in the sample ballot package.

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